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December 6, 2006

Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814-4708

Attention: Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments' (SBCAG) 2006/07 - 2008/09 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

## No. Description

## 2 Local Element

 Adds or modifies various projects in Santa Barbara County. The project included in this amendment are funded from the Transportation Enhancement Activities Program and state funds from the Surface Transportation Program State Exchange Program.

See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 2 for inclusion into California's 2007 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only.

The updated programming is for projects in air quality attainment area that is exempt from the conformity determination requirement. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by SBCAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. SBCAG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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Chief

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## **Enclosures**

c: Lisa Hanf - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
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